

Ralph Johnson House
Belfast, Maine

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"RALPH JOHNSON HOUSE"

Waldo County, Belfast, Maine

Present Owner

Ralph Johnson

Date of Erection

1801

Builder

Thomas Whittier

Present Condition

The front portico appears to be a later addition to the house.

Description

The main house is a square two story frame structure with clapboarded walls. Central front entrance and portico. Four chimneys near the ends of the house. Low hip roof with octagonal tower in center. Eave balustrade decorates the main house. Granite and brick used for foundations. Rear extension of the house is two stories in height but lower posted and is probably later than the main building.

Additional Data

This house was known as the "Whittier Tavern".

A Belfast woman said that in 1812, when the British took Belfast, she danced in this tavern with General Gosselin. (This information and the history of the building furnished by Mrs. James C. Durham, Belfast).

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